#### § 1180.4

Museum services means services provided by a museum, primarily exhibiting objects to the general public, and including but not limited to preserving and maintaining its collections, and providing educational and other programs to the public through the use of its collections and other resources.

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# § 1180.4 Museum eligibility and burden of proof—Who may apply.

- (a) A museum located in any of the 50 States of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federal States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau may apply for a grant under the Act.
- (b) A public or private nonprofit agency which is responsible for the operation of a museum may, if necessary, apply on behalf of the museum.
- (c) A museum operated by a department or agency of the Federal Government is not eligible to apply.
- (d) An applicant has the burden of establishing that it is eligible for assistance under these regulations.

#### §1180.5 Related Institutions.

- (a) If two or more institutions are under the common control of one agency or institution or are otherwise organizationally related and apply for assistance under the Act, the Director determines under all the relevant circumstances whether they are separate museums for the purpose of establishing eligibility for assistance under these regulations. See §1180.4.
- (b) IMLS regards the following factors, among others, as showing that a related institution is a separate museum:
- (1) The institution has its own governing body:
- (2) The institution has budgetary autonomy; and
- (3) The institution has administrative autonomy.

# § 1180.6 Basic materials which an applicant must submit to be considered for funding.

- (a) Application. To apply for a grant, an applicant must submit the designated application form containing all information requested. Failure to submit information required by the application at the time of filing can subject an applicant to rejection of the application without consideration on its merits.
- (b) *IRS letter*. An applicant applying as a private, nonprofit institution must submit a copy of the letter from the Internal Revenue Service indicating the applicant's eligibility for nonprofit status under the applicable provision of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended.

#### Subpart B—General Application, Selection and Award Procedures Applications

APPLICATIONS

# § 1180.30 Publication of application notices; content of notices.

Each fiscal year the Director publishes application notices that explain what kind of assistance is available that fiscal year under the Act.

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### § 1180.31 Information in application notices.

Application notices generally include:

- (a) How an applicant can get an application packet containing detailed information about the program including an application form;
- (b) Where an applicant must send its application;
- (c) The amount of funds for which an applicant may apply;
- (d) Any priorities established by the Institute for that year; and
- (e) A reference to the applicable regulations.

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### § 1180.32 Deadline date for applications.

(a) The application notice sets the deadline date for applications to be